

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 6, 2015, 6:00 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members John Warshow, Chris Martin, and Andy Perchlik; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Road Foreman Dan Tetreault; Village Trustee Art Gilman; Paul Tomasi (Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District)

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

Waste District: The Town has received inquiries lately about what the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) offers residents in the way of composting and hazardous waste collections, and why the Town left the Central Vermont Solid Waste District. Paul Tomasi, Executive Director of NEKWMD addressed the Board regarding the services offered. Currently they offer hazardous waste collections at several recycling centers, but the Cabot facility does not have room for storage. NEKWMD would not be opposed to us having a facility located in Marshfield if we could provide a space, but residents are welcome to use the Cabot facility. Cabot has plans to expand their facility or move to a larger space but the time frame is uncertain. There will be a hazardous waste collection day in Cabot on August 15th from 9 until 12. Residents can always bring their hazardous wastes to the Lyndonville facility by appointment; hazardous waste disposal is free except for tires. He does not know if CVSWMD charges for hazardous waste disposal, but trash disposal at the landfill costs 30% less for NEKWMD towns than for CVSWMD towns. They have composters for sale for \$45, and orders can be placed with the Town Clerk. NEKWMD has some food waste drop-offs, and they are hoping to expand that program.

Sidewalks: Art Gilman told the Board the Village has been receiving complaints about the sidewalks. The Board explained that they advertised but no one submitted a bid. The Village Trustees have concerns about liability if they try to clear the sidewalks and then someone falls and gets hurt. He noted that people are being forced to walk in the road. John explained that it isn't a case of the Town being unwilling to pay, but no one has expressed interest in doing the work.

Personnel: At 7:00 John moved to enter executive session to discuss job applications. Andy seconded – all in favor. The Board returned to open session at 7:25.

Truck: Dan and the Board discussed the quotes and warranties for the truck that the Town plans to purchase in 2015.

Budget: The Board presented their budget to the Budget Committee. They anticipate a 2¢ drop in the town tax rate.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll. They approved the minutes for the December 16 and December 30, 2014 meetings with minor changes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the January 6, 2015 Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, _____, Town Clerk
